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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hideo ANDO et al.

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SERIAL NO: New Divisional Application

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REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- ☒ Full benefit of the filing dates of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/651,295, filed August 30, 2000, and 09/311,272 filed May 14, 1999, are claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
JAPAN	10-133832	05/15/98

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☒ were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/311,272 filed May 14, 1999.
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
(B) Application Serial No.(s)
 - ☐ are submitted herewith
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